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RESPONSE TO JUNE 17, 2002 FINAL OFFICE ACTION

This is a response to the final Office Action issued June 17, 2002 in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the June 17, 2002 final Office Action is due September 17, 2002. Accordingly, a response to the June 17, 2002 final Office Action is due September 17, 2002 and this Amendment is being timely filed.

REMARKS

Claims 1-49 are pending in the subject application.

Claims 3-4, 10, 11, 17, 18, 24, 25 and 32-49 have been withdrawn from consideration by the Examiner as allegedly directed to a non-elected invention, namely the production of a male sterility protein. The Examiner cited 37 CFR 1.142(b) and MPEP §821.03.